



¶ By the King.

✠ A Proclamation prohibiting the Exportation  
of Corne and Graine.



Hereas Wee haue taken into Our Princely consideration, that, by reason of the late vnseasonable weather, the hopefulnesse of the next ensuing harvest is much indangered, by which, and by the former exportations the Stores of Corne for the provision of this Kingdome will be much shortened, and the prices may in all probability bee much enhanced; And forasmuch as wee are informed, that the scarcitie of Corne and Graine in the neighbouring Kingdomes and parts, from whence Our Dominions in times of dearth or scarcitie, haue formerly bene furnished, is such, as little hope of reliefe is to be expected from them: wee therefore, desiring, as much as in vs lieth, by Our timely providence, to take care for the prevention of the many inconueniences, which otherwise may ensue, haue thought fit by the aduice of the Lords, and others of Our Prīue Counsell, to declare and publish Our Royall Will and pleasure therein.

And wee doe hereby straitly charge, prohibite, and commaund, that no person or persons whatsoeuer, shall from hencefoorth attempt, presume, or goe about to transport, export, or send away, any Corne or Graine whatsoeuer, out of this Our Realme of England, or from any the Ports, Hauens or Creekes of the same, into any the parts beyond the Sea, vntill Our Royall pleasure bee further declared to the contrary, although the prices of such Corne or graine shall fall out to bee vnder the rate limited by the Statute for Transportation of Corne and Graine in that behalfe; Any former Licence, or other command whatsoeuer to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And for the better execution of Our pleasure herein, wee doe hereby will and commaund, as well all Mayors, Iustices of Peace, and other Ministers, as all the Officers and Farmers of Our Customes within this Our Realme of England, to take notice of this Our Royall Commaund, and to see the same duely obserued, as they tender Our pleasure, and will auoyd Our indignation and displeasure for the contrary.

Giuen at Our Court at Greenwich, the second day of May, in the fifth yeere of Our Reigne of Great Britaine, France, and Ireland.

God saue the King.

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